



Hartford Police Department

PRESS RELEASE

Chief of Police, Patrick J. Harnett Major Crimes Commander, Lieutenant Paul B. Hammick

On July 4, 2004, at approximately 2:26 p.m., Hartford Police Department Patrol Units responded to the intersection of Kent Street at Albany Avenue on the report of several shots fired and a person down. Upon arrival, officers located two male victims suffering from gunshot wounds. The victims had been traveling in a vehicle southbound on Kent Street when they were fired upon by another vehicle which pulled along side of them at the intersection of Albany Avenue. Both victims were immediately transported to St. Francis Hospital via ambulance where the front seat passenger was subsequently pronounced dead at 3:01 p.m. The victim has been identified as Kevin Johnson, age 19, of Hartford. The vehicle's operator is currently listed in stable condition with gunshot wounds to both legs. A third victim was shot in the left hip as he was walking along Albany Avenue when the shots were fired. He was treated and released from Hartford Hospital for his injuries.

The Hartford Police Department's Major Crimes and Evidentiary Services Divisions began an immediate investigation into this incident.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Detective Mark Fowler of the Major Crimes Division at (860) 527-6300, ext. 5439, or the Hartford Police Department at (860) 527-6300 immediately.

Sergeant David Polletta Supervisor, Major Crimes Division July 4, 2004